

House Resolution No. 661

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives feel it is altogether fitting and proper to pause from time to time to recognize organizations and individuals that contribute to the well-being of this great state and its citizens; and

Whereas, Riley Rankin, a third-grade student at Ridge View Elementary School in Warrensburg, Missouri, has been selected to exhibit her artwork in the Missouri Capitol in observation of Youth Art Month; and

Whereas, sponsored by the Missouri Art Education Association (MAEA), Youth Art Month is observed every year during the month of March with a student exhibit in the Capitol Rotunda, and having artwork reach the state rotunda is an honor in itself, however, there are five other awards including the Governor's Choice Award and one for each division, lower elementary, upper elementary, middle school and high school; and

Whereas, based on the belief that all people have abilities and needs for creating and understanding art, the mission of the Missouri Art Education Association is to advocate quality visual arts education by supporting creative teaching, providing opportunities for professional development and encouraging the study and implementation of best practices in the discipline of art education; and

Whereas, the MAEA believes this is to be accomplished by promoting lifelong visual arts education at all levels: early childhood, K-12, higher education, museum education, and adult/community programs; providing art teachers opportunities for receiving collegial support and networking; providing membership with knowledge of an access to resources which support art education; working toward alignment of community, state and national art education initiatives; encouraging the aesthetics inherent in the making of art; collaborating with all members of the learning organization; promoting public awareness of the knowledge, skills, and emotive aspects that are components of quality visual arts education; and

Whereas, Riley Rankin is the daughter of Rich and Sheila Rankin:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, extend our congratulations and best wishes to Riley Rankin and wish her every success in future endeavors; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Riley Rankin.

Offered by _____
Representative David Pearce
District No. 121

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House
Resolution No. 661, adopted February 19, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker